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S.R. NO. 168

SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION TO COLLABORATE WITH THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO IMPROVE AND STREAMLINE THE STATE WATERS AND BEACH AND SHORELINE COMMERCIAL USE PERMIT PROCESSES FOR KAHALU'U BEACH PARK ON HAWAII ISLAND.

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources
2 Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (Division of Boating
3 and Ocean Recreation) aims to preserve the State's natural and
4 cultural resources while ensuring public access to state waters
5 and enhancing the ocean experience; and
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7 WHEREAS, one of the Division of Boating and Ocean
8 Recreation's goals is to generate revenue in support of the
9 Division's programs, operations, and maintenance; and
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11 WHEREAS, the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation
12 issues commercial use permits for activity in state ocean
13 waters, among other revocable permits; and
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15 WHEREAS, the County of Hawai'i manages the beach and
16 shoreline at Kahalu'u Beach Park in North Kona, Hawai'i island,
17 which has gray sand and a rocky shoreline; and
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19 WHEREAS, commercial activity on the beach and shoreline at
20 Kahalu'u Beach Park requires a permit from the County of Hawai'i
21 Department of Parks and Recreation; and
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23 WHEREAS, commercial activity in state waters near Kahalu'u
24 Beach Park requires a permit from the Division of Boating and
25 Ocean Recreation; and
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27 WHEREAS, the processes for issuing commercial use permits
28 for state waters and the beach and shoreline at Kahalu'u Beach
29 Park are incongruent and could be streamlined to be more
30 efficient; and
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1 WHEREAS, cooperation between the Division of Boating and
2 Ocean Recreation and the County of Hawai'i can help improve and
3 streamline the state waters and beach and shoreline commercial
4 use permit processes for Kahalu'u Beach Park; now, therefore,
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6 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
7 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, that the
8 Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation is requested to
9 collaborate with the County of Hawai'i to improve and streamline
10 the state waters and beach and shoreline commercial use permit
11 processes for Kahalu'u Beach Park; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Division of Boating and
14 Ocean Recreation is requested to submit a report of its progress
15 and recommendations on improving and streamlining the commercial
16 use permit processes for the state waters and beach and
17 shoreline at Kahalu'u Beach Park, including any proposed
18 legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior
19 to the convening of the Regular Session of 2020; and
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
22 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
23 Land and Natural Resources, Administrator of the Division of
24 Boating and Ocean Recreation of the Department of Land and
25 Natural Resources, and Mayor of the County of Hawai'i.
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